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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In column 6, line 48, in Claim 13, delete "first second" and insert - - first and second - -, therefor.

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S. No.	P/S	Original		Issued Patent		Description of Error
		Page	Line	Column	Line	
1	S	Page 4 Claims (04/30/2007)	Claim 13 Line 2	6	48	In Claim 13, delete "first second" and insert - - first and second - -, therefor.

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game controller, microphone, voice-recognition device, or any other device that inputs information into the electronic system 70.

In some embodiments, electronic system 70 further includes a voltage source 77 that is electrically coupled to electronic assembly 50. Voltage source 77 may be used to supply power to a die (e.g., a processor) that is within electronic assembly 50.

The methods and electronic assemblies described herein may be implemented in a number of different embodiments, including an electronic package, an electronic system, a computer system, and one or more methods of fabricating an electronic assembly. The elements, materials, geometries, dimensions, and sequence of operations can all be varied to suit particular packaging requirements.

FIGS. 1-5 are merely representational and are not drawn to scale. Certain proportions thereof may be exaggerated while others may be minimized.

The method described above may provide a solution for bonding an electronic package to a motherboard. The method may reduce the stress within the bond that connects the electronic package and motherboard. The method may also allow an electronic assembly that includes the electronic package and motherboard to function at higher operating temperature than the temperature that is required to bond the electronic package to the motherboard. Many other embodiments will be apparent to those of skill in the art from the above description.

What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:

engaging a first contact on a motherboard with a second contact on an electronic package that includes a die bonded to a substrate, a portion of one of the first and second contacts being covered with an interlayer that has a lower melting temperature than the first and second contacts; and

bonding the first contact to the second contact by melting the interlayer to diffuse the interlayer into the first and second contacts, the bonded first and second contacts having a higher melting temperature than the interlayer before melting.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein bonding the first contact to the second contact includes exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to an environment having a temperature greater than the melting temperature of the interlayer but below the melting temperature of the first and second contacts.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to an environment having a temperature greater than the melting temperature of the interlayer but below the melting temperature of the first and second contacts includes maintaining the interlayer and the

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first and second contacts within the environment until a portion of the interlayer diffuses into the first and second contacts.

4. The method of claim 3 wherein maintaining the interlayer and the first and second contacts within the environment until a portion of the interlayer diffuses into the first and second contacts includes maintaining the interlayer and the first and second contacts within the environment until a majority of the interlayer diffuses into the first and second contacts.

5. The method of claim 4 wherein maintaining the interlayer and the first and second contacts within the environment until a majority of the interlayer diffuses into the first and second contacts includes maintaining the interlayer and the first and second contacts within the environment until the interlayer is substantially diffused into the first and second contacts.

6. The method of claim 2 wherein exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to an environment includes exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to the environment for a period of time.

7. The method of claim 6 wherein exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to the environment for a period of time includes exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to the environment until the interlayer melts and then solidifies within the first and second contacts.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein engaging a first contact on a motherboard with a second contact on an electronic package includes pressing the first contact against the second contact.

9. The method of claim 1 wherein bonding the first contact to the second contact includes exposing the interlayer and the first and second contacts to an environment having a temperature less than 125 degrees Centigrade.

10. The method of claim 1 further comprising covering the portion of one of the first and second contacts with the interlayer.

11. The method of claim 10 wherein covering the portion of one of the first and second contacts with the interlayer includes covering a portion of both of the first and second contacts with the interlayer.

12. The method of claim 10 wherein covering the portion of one of the first and second contacts with the interlayer includes covering all exposed portions of one of the first and second contacts with the interlayer.

13. The method of claim 10 wherein covering the portion of one of the first second contacts includes electroplating the interlayer onto the portion of one of the first and second contacts.

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